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SUBJECT: PROSPECTIVE CARNATION COMPANY INVESTMENT IN
SWAZILAND

1. MR. J.C. VINCENT, MANAGING DIRECTOR OF CARNATION (PTY)
LIMITED IN SOUTH AFRICA, VISITED SWAZILAND FEBRUARY 21/22
TO EXPLORE WITH GOS POTENTIAL INVESTMENT IN SWAZILAND.

2. CARNTION CANS FRUITS AND VEGETABLES IN SOUTH AFRICA
FOR THAT MARKET AND IS SEEKING TO LOWER COSTS BY OPERATING
IN SWAZILAND WITH ITS CHEAPER LABOR. CARNATION IS
INTERESTED IN BUILDING PROCESSING AND CANNING PGANT IN
SOUTH-CENTRAL SWAZILAND. AREA IS ALREADY CENTER FMR SMALL
VEGEOABLE FARMERS. INVESTMENT WOULD BE APPROXIMATELY 250,000
RAND AND EMPLOY 70-80 PEOPLE.

3. VINCENT SAID THAT FMR POLITICAL REASONS CAPITAL WOULD
COME FROM CARNATION HEADQUARTERS IN LOS ANGELES AND NOT
FROM SOUTH AFRICA OFFICE. FYI, HE EXPRESSED CONSIDER-
ABLE CONCERN OVER POLITICAL STABILITY OF SOUTHERN
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AFRICA, ESPECIALLY MOZAMBIQUE'S INFLUENCE IN
SWAZILAND. HE REQUESTED EMBOFF TO DRAFT EVALUATION
OF POLITICAL SITUATION IN AREA FOR CARNATION
HEADQUARTERS. END FYI.

4. EMBASSY BELIEVES THIS IS AN EXCELLENT PROSPECTIVE
INVESTMENT BY WELL-KNOWN AMERICAN FIRM AND SHOULD BE

ACTIVELY PURSUED BY USDOC.

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